



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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At its meeting held May 9, 2006, the Board took the following action:

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The following item was called up for consideration:

Ordinance for adoption amending the County Code,  
Title 22 - Planning and Zoning, to establish regulations and use  
and development standards in the unincorporated areas of the  
County for medical marijuana dispensaries.

Raymond G. Fortner, Jr., County Counsel responded to questions posed by the Board. Peter J. McNulty, Amanda Brazel, representing Americans for Safe Access, Lenny Fisher, Richard Eastman, Steve M. Corchado, representing Comfort Care Group, Darrell Kruse and other interested persons addressed the Board.

Supervisor Knabe made the following statement:

"If medical marijuana dispensaries are to be allowed in the unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County, it is important that we acknowledge the controversial nature of this land use and the potential impacts dispensaries may have on surrounding properties and persons. Given these facts, it is paramount that the County's constituents be afforded the possibility of appealing related zoning cases to the County's elected representatives—the Board of Supervisors—and that they be allowed to participate fully in such public hearings. The minor Conditional Use Permit application procedure currently specified for dispensaries by the proposed Medical Marijuana Dispensary Ordinance does not allow for such an appeal to the Board of Supervisors."

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Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Knabe, seconded by Supervisor Antonovich, unanimously carried, the Board approved a revision to the ordinance to require a regular, rather than a minor Conditional Use Permit. This would allow for appeals to reach the Board of Supervisors in appropriate cases.

In addition, on motion of Supervisor Yaroslavsky, seconded by Supervisor Molina, duly carried by the following vote: Ayes: Supervisors Molina, Burke, Yaroslavsky and Knabe; Noes: Supervisor Antonovich, the Board adopted the attached revised Ordinance No. 2006-0032 entitled, "An ordinance amending Title 22 - Planning and Zoning of the Los Angeles County Code to regulate the establishment of medical marijuana dispensaries." This ordinance shall take effect June 8, 2006.

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#### Attachment

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- County Counsel
- Director of Health Services
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